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"Hopeless" Deadlock At Paris

Paris, July 1.
Britain and France today rushed plans for American aid to the Western European bloc as it became virtually certain that the Foreign Ministers' conference would end on Tuesday in total failure.

Mr. Bevin was reported to have described the Anglo-French efforts to draw Russia into the all-European joint recovery plan as "hopeless."

British and French sources said the conference session at 4 p.m. would be the final one barring a complete reversal of attitude by M. Vyacheslav Molotov.

Facing a division of Europe into a Soviet dominated and Western economic bloc, Britain and France urged their preparations to rally Western countries into the Marshall programme.

They are expected to issue an appeal to all European countries that wish to join them in a common programme.

Diplomats believe Britain and France would set Sept. 1 as the deadline for submitting an overall plan to the United States.

Western Bloc
British and French sources believe it would be much easier to obtain Congressional approval of American loans than if the programme included Russia and her satellites.

Diplomats suggested the Western European bloc will probably include Britain, France, Eire, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Italy and the Western zone of Germany. It is not certain whether the Scandinavian countries would join because of

BOAST OF BLACK MAQUIS "25,000 Men Ready To March On Paris"

Comb-Out Of Army Ordered

Paris, July 1.
The leader of the Black Maquis said today in a clandestine interview that 25,000 armed men were ready to lead a "march on Paris at the appropriate moment" to establish an anti-Communist Government.

Existence of the Black Maquis was disclosed yesterday by the Interior Ministry. It was announced that leaders of the movement, plotting to overthrow the republic and establish a "military dictatorship," were arrested.

In today's interview the self-described Black Maquis boasted "for every one of us they arrested there are two to take his place."

Meanwhile Breton chapters of General de Gaulle's Rally of the French people moved today to purge themselves of possible unwelcome elements following an Interior Ministry assertion that "Black Maquis" plotters had tried to enter the organization.

While there was no hint of any direct connection between the Rally and the Black Maquis, whom the Ministry accused of conspiring the overthrow of the government, Rally leaders in Brittany warned that any members of their geographical position and the economic ties which some of them have with Russia. It is also uncertain whether Portugal will participate. Spain has been counted out by the French.

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Vicious Attack On United States

Shanghai, June 30.

The Communist radio today attacked the sale of American rifle ammunition to China and enlarged economic aid in future as "a step further in exposing the vicious face of American imperialism."

The radio appealed to the people to destroy Chiang and labelled the Americans aggressors. It said an open act of imperialism came at a time when American public opinion was increasingly clear with regard to the corruption, reaction and incurable character of the Chiang Kai-shek Government.

In one of the most bitter attacks on America and the Central Government of China of a long line of similar attacks, the Red radio said:

"Sons, daughters, companions and friends of every Chinese killed by an American bullet, will never forget the fallen were slain by the American Government with the hands of Chiang Kai-shek."

It said that if it were not for American imperialism, Chiang Kai-shek could not fight the civil war.

"Criminals"

"These American criminals, wishing to wash their hands of blood, say these bullets are an obligation left over from the anti-Japanese war and also they only fit the calibre of Chinese rifles—as if to say if they did not use these bullets to murder hundreds of thousands of Chinese people, then they would not be more human beings and would be punished by heaven."

The Communist radio asserted that the failure of the American Government to carry out the US\$500,000,000 loan by the end of June was designed to create the illusion that the American Government was not at present enthusiastic about China's civil war, when as a matter of fact, since March last year, when General Marshall asked a question—said a loan many times US\$500,000,000 worth of surplus goods, warships and aeroplanes were transferred to Chiang Kai-shek.

It said the loan had not succeeded this time because the guarantee offered by the traitor Chiang Kai-shek was not enough. In other words, because even greater terms of national betrayal must be obtained in exchange from Chiang.

It appealed to the Chinese people, for the sake of their very existence, to increase efforts to wrest American munitions from Chiang and destroy Chiang Kai-shek, whom it termed the "running dog of American aggressors."—United Press.

Jap Ships Coming To Hong Kong

Tokyo, July 1.

Vice-Admiral R.G. Griffin, commander of U.S. Naval Forces in the Far East, today announced that the initial allotment of a total of 92 former Japanese warships to be distributed among the United States, the United Kingdom, Russia and China started today.

Each nation is given a lot of eight ships composed of three destroyers and five escorts as indicated by drawings held on Saturday. Receipts will be signed by the representatives of each nation as the ships depart.

Lot One, drawn by the representative of the United Kingdom, departed for Singapore via Hong Kong. Lot Two, for China, sailed at noon for Shanghai. Lot Three, for Russia left for Nahodka this morning. Five ships of Lot Four, assigned to the United States, departed for Tientsin at noon. The remaining three ships will be delivered at Yokohama.

The ships are manned by Japanese crews and sailed in squadrons to the respective ports.—United Press.

PRAISE—THEN GAOL

York, July 1.
Veteran saboteur John Ramsey was summoned from jail during the war to serve as a Commando behind the lines opening enemy bases. A local court lauded his wartime record yesterday and then presented him with a five-year term—for blowing up a civilian.—United Press.

H.K. And Trade With Japan

Resumption of private trade with Japan has been fixed for August 15, although no transactions can be completed before September 1.

No information is yet available as to detailed arrangements for the conduct of trade, but it is certain that trade will be subject to considerable restrictions. Accommodation has, however, been arranged by SCAP for a very limited number of businessmen from August 16 and visits to Japan of restricted duration will be permitted as from that date.

Applications may therefore now be made for entry into Japan and should be addressed to the Department of Supplies, Trade and Industry for submission to the appropriate authorities in the United Kingdom; they should provide the following information:

(a) Name of applicant;
(b) Precise purpose of proposed visit and place in Japan to be visited;
(c) Date and duration;
(d) Any information which may be of assistance in assessing the importance of the visit—e.g. previous connections with Japan.

Certain accommodation may be available in advance of August 15 for banking, insurance and shipping companies. Applications from such firms should be accompanied by a completed application form for entry into Japan, obtainable from the Immigration Office, Oriental Building.

It should be noted that applications will be accepted only from firms whose head offices are registered in Hong Kong.

MUNITIONS SHIP EXPLODES

Rome, July 1.
60 crew members and stevedores were killed when the Italian ammunition transport "Ganigalla" exploded while being unloaded at Porto Santo Stefano, 200 miles north of Rome on the Tuscan coast.—United Press.

NOT HAPPY OVER US. POLICY IN JAPAN

London, July 1.
A Foreign Office spokesman indicated that Britain was dissatisfied with several aspects of United States policy in Japan. The spokesman said, however, that Britain backed General MacArthur's view that the peace treaty with Japan should be written within the next 12 or 18 months.

"We agree too, that such a treaty need not necessarily wait for the signing of the German treaty," he added.

A reporter asked him whether the British Government agreed broadly with a recent statement ascribed to Dean Acheson, former U.S. Assistant Secretary of State, who said that "there is not much more to do here by way of a directive or political and social programme in Japan."

The spokesman answered: "The statement made in the House of Commons recently by Mr. Bevin is still His Majesty's Government's governing programme on the subject."

Mr. Bevin had declared in a Foreign Affairs debate that everything was not as Britain wanted in Japan. The spokesman disclosed that British representatives in Tokyo have been asked to report to London immediately on the circumstances surrounding MacArthur's decision to allow the

Fighting Flares Up In Java

Batavia, June 30.

Fighting flared up in Indonesia, with a five-hour clash between Dutch and Republican troops near Mojokerto, 30 miles southwest of Sourabaya, today, according to Antara, the Republican news agency, while moves for formation of a broad-based Coalition Government of Republicans were being made.

This fresh clash of arms came as the Dutch authorities were awaiting an Indonesian reply to their latest proposals for a settlement of the crisis.

The Republican mayor of Batavia, Mr. Soejitjo, had earlier appealed to the population to remain quiet and be prepared for any eventualities.

An early reply was expected from the Republican President, Dr. Soekarno, both to the Dutch proposals and to the United States note, appealing for an early settlement.

Steps for the formation of a Coalition Government were taken by the President of the Republic, Dr. Soekarno, who invited the cooperation of four political leaders—of the "Left-wing" group, the Indonesian Muslim Party, the Nationalists and the Indonesian Labour Party.

Dr. Sutan Sjahrir meanwhile declared, in a broadcast over the Jogjakarta (Republican Headquarters) Radio that "further negotiations would be useless" if the Dutch did not accept Dr. Soekarno's reply to their latest memoirs.—Reuter.

Army Communique

Batavia, June 30.
Indonesian Army Headquarters announced today in a communique that during the past two days Dutch forces shelled several points in the Mojokerto area, 25 miles west of Sourabaya.

The communique said Indonesian and Dutch units "clashed" at Batu village in that vicinity. Dutch air activity over Western and Eastern Java and extensive patrol activity were reported.

The communique said that on the morning of June 25 "two sections of Dutch troops clashed with the Indonesians for five and one-half hours north of Mojokerto."—United Press.

STADIUM SCHEME OFF

It is reliably learned that the scheme for construction of a 35,000-seater sports stadium this autumn has had, temporarily, to be abandoned. Expected shipments of steel rods from the United Kingdom for the concrete work will not now materialize, it is disclosed, and all existing stocks will be required for building construction.

150 Dead In Rail Smash

Yamaguchi, July 1.
The Japanese police reported today that between 100 and 150 passengers are believed dead and injured in a train wreck on the main Sanyo line skirting the Inland Sea.

First reports said the locomotive was derailed and fell into the sea after which three passenger-laden cars overturned between Kudamatsu and Hikari stations in the Yamaguchi Prefecture in Westernmost Honshu.

In Tokyo, the spokesman of the Transportation Ministry said reports up to 4 p.m. today—three hours after the tragedy—said ten were killed and 50 injured. Cause of the accident is not yet known.—United Press.

Trade Conditions In China

Shanghai, July 1.
Extremely difficult trading conditions in China during the past year as a result of the "unholy partnership" of civil war and economic stagnation were emphasised by the Chairman, Mr. John Keswick, in a speech before the annual general meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce today.

He expressed the devout hope, however, that "for our own sakes but especially for the Chinese people, that the dawn of peace and the return of prosperity will not be long delayed."

He added: "As a merchant, I have faith in China and the ability and determination of its citizens to continue to trade under conditions which would drive less resolute, ingenious and philosophical people to despair."

In the course of a 6,000-word report, Mr. Keswick expressed particular dissatisfaction with the continued exclusion of foreign flag shipping from China's coastal and inland water trades and hoped that negotiations over the Chinese counter-draft of the Sino-British treaty, which "we hear is being urgently studied" by Mr. Ernest Bevin, will result in some relaxation of the present rigid exclusionist policy.

He said that modification could only react on the long view to the mutual benefit of both countries.

State Competition
Mr. Keswick also criticized the state-owned and operated enterprises for competing directly with private trading, saying "such activities are highly detrimental to ordinary commercial interests of whatever nationality."

Other points of interest made by Mr. Keswick included: Imports—China's import restrictions, (under which luxuries and certain non-luxuries are banned altogether and all other commodities placed under control) have had a profoundly disturbing and paralyzing effect on the nation's imports.

Exports: Chinese exports remained in the doldrums. Taking a broad view, China's exportable surpluses are unable to find a market abroad because of the high cost of goods and services in China, taken in conjunction with the official rate of exchange, which makes it generally impossible for these goods to compete in world markets.

His and other Allied governments in protesting to the U.S. State Department on another MacArthur decision, authorising the Japanese to organise a new whaling expedition to the Antarctic.—Associated Press.

H.K. STREETS FLOODED

Unusually heavy rainfall which continued for several hours yesterday resulted in flooding of considerable stretches of roads in both Hong Kong and Kowloon with subsequent dislocation of traffic.

A total of 6.1 inches was recorded by the Royal Observatory for the 12 hours ending noon, and by 1 a.m. a further .65 inches had been registered.

The rain was heaviest between 10 and 11 a.m. and the tram service on the Happy Valley and Shaukiwan routes was interrupted for some two hours as a result of flooding and accumulation of silt from neighbouring hillsides.

The silt at the Happy Valley tram terminus was some two inches deep.

At Dadwell's Service Station, in Russell Street, the water was knee-deep.

Cars Stuck
At Causeway Bay the Tai Hong Nullah overflowed due to the coagulation of silt and rubble. Visibility was very poor along King's Road, and cars had to put on their lights and crawl along.

Several small cars were stuck in the mud washed down from the hillside near the Electric Light Co. at North Point.

All low-lying areas were flooded. The football fields at Causeway Bay and the Happy Valley were lakes, while the Queen's Road end of Murray Parade Ground was a miniature Niagara Falls with water pouring through the iron gratings along that side of the ground.

In Kowloon
In Kowloon, Nathan Road between the Po King Theatre

and Soy Street was flooded to a depth at one time of over two feet. Waterloo Road in the Homantin district, Gascoigne and Canton Roads, were also flooded, and motor traffic had to be halted for a while. Pedestrians were walking bare-footed. All playing fields were under water.

Water coming down from Gascoigne Road flowed through the Nathan Hotel and the adjoining buildings.

No collapses or damages had been reported up to the time of going to press.

The Weather

An anticyclone is situated to the E. of Japan with a ridge of moderately high pressure extending SW to the Philippines. Pressure is low over the whole of China with a deep depression centred over Shensi Province.

Today's Forecast:—Moderate SE wind, cloudy with rain at times.

Yesterday's Weather:
Maximum: 75.3 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 73.0 deg. Fah.
Rainfall: 72.2 mm. = 2.84 inches. Total since Jan. 1—1112.5 mm. as against an average of 562.4 mm.

Readings at 10 a.m. 10.15 a.m. 4 p.m.
Baro. at m.s.l. 1012.7 1009.4 m.h.
Equival. 29.85 29.81 inches.
Rel. Humidity 88 88 66 %
Dew Point 75 75 70 deg. F.
Wind Direction S by N ENE
Wind Force 12 4 knots.


Lisbon, July 1.

Three were killed and five seriously wounded on Monday when a hand-grenade on exhibition at the Army Museum exploded as a guide touched it inadvertently with a cigarette.—United Press.

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Coming Events

July 3—Lane Crawford Ltd., general meeting of Shareholders, noon.
July 4—H.K.F.C. (Rugby Section) meeting, 8 p.m.
July 11—Peak Tramways annual meeting, noon.

Story Of Alleged Assault

An alleged assault on four men at 10 Shek Tong Street, ground floor, Hung Hom, by Lee Pui, Yui Chung-ha and Yui Yan-ha and aided and abetted by Chinese detectives Chan Koon-shing and Lung Chik-wong was described to Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday by Mr. F. Zimmermann on behalf of Yu Tai-kang.

According to Mr. Zimmermann, the complainant Yu, with three other inmates of the house, was set upon by the four defendants (represented by Mr. P. C. Wong) and another man at about 8.30 a.m. on April 16. The defendants were armed with two bamboo poles, a dagger and a long knife. When the "beating up" was in progress, the two Chinese detectives, Chan Koon-shing and Lung Chik-wong, entered the house and set upon the complainant Yu. The complainant Yu, who was a member of the British Commonwealth, was taken to the hospital and the other two men were taken to the Kowloon City Police Station for the night. On the two appearances before the Magistrate the following morning, they were remanded and the Magistrate ordered the assault to be proved.

The man who ran away from the house during the beating up, said Mr. Zimmermann, was later arrested in a tea-house and also brought before the Magistrate the next day.

His contention, said Mr. Zimmermann, was that the detectives, by handcuffing the victims and not the assailants and by asking the other two men not to say anything aided and abetted in the assault.

Hearing was then adjourned to July 8.

KOWLOON ROUND-UP

A roundup of vagrants on the Peninsula resulted in the apprehension of 23 men, women, and juveniles before Mr. Latimer, and 12 before Mr. Blair-Kerr yesterday.

One, found to have been expelled from the Colony in April, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. Latimer, followed by re-exclusion. The remainder were ordered to be expelled.

SUGAR RATION

The sugar ration for July is 2 lb. per person.

MOVING SAIWAN CEREMONY

Canadian Dead Laid To Last Rest

Hong Kong Pays Tribute

On a high plateau over Saiwan Bay, looking straight out to the Pacific over which they came in 1941 to fight and die for Hong Kong, the bodies of 300 Canadian soldiers were finally laid to their last rest in a combined Protestant and Roman Catholic recommitment service yesterday morning.

It was a simple but extremely moving ceremony. Despite the inclement weather, over 150 men and women, representing the Services and the British community of this Colony, were present to pay their last respects. Wreaths were laid by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, representatives of the Canadian Government and Army, and the highest ranking officers of the Royal Navy, the Army and the Royal Air Force.

Yesterday morning, the first of the night and the dawn-pour became even more intense as the ceremony began at 10 o'clock. Yet somehow, the wetness and the discomfort, the gloominess of the very skies themselves, seem to add to the solemnity of the occasion. It seemed more appropriate, somehow, than bright blue skies and a strong sun.

Yesterday was Dominion Day, Canada's national holiday, and one that is celebrated in fitting style by Canadians all over the world. It was especially fitting, however, that on this great Canadian anniversary Hong Kong should remember those Canadian officers and men, who were the first in the British Commonwealth to join Britain in the War against Germany, and who came here to die in action against an even more treacherous foe.

Wreaths Laid
Sai Wan Cemetery lies on the hillside more than a mile from Island Road. A military road skirts it and preparations had been made to make the road fit for those attending the ceremony. The extremely heavy rainfall, however, proved too much for the gunny sacks and galvanised iron sheeting placed on the path. These served as channels for the water and as the surrounding area had been churned up, those attending the ceremony were at times ankle-deep in water.

No one, however, turned back. Drenched, mud-spattered, they plodded along and took their places. Rain fell throughout, easing slightly during the religious service and then coming down with full force during the firing of the volleys and the sounding of the "Last Post".

The function opened with the laying of wreaths.
Mr. McDougall
First to pay his tribute was His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. D. M. McDougall. His Excellency was in Hong Kong till it fell on December 26th, 1941, when he escaped with the 2nd MTB Flotilla, and due to the memory of those last few hours was in his mind. Drenched, his white suit splashed with mud, he laid the

H.C.L. IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 1.
The cost of living index in Shanghai for June was fixed by the Chinese authorities at 25,500 for workers and 19,700 for salaried employees. The index is supposed to represent the increase in the cost of living since 1936.
So far, for every Chinese dollar a worker earned that year he would have received 25,500 in the month of June.
—Associated Press.

Six Months For Driver

Wong Tsun, 24, lorry driver, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment without the option of a fine by Mr. D'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday for reckless driving, obstruction, failing to stop, failure to hold a public vehicle driver's licence and being without a tail light.
SI Reddish said that at about 9.50 p.m. on June 30 while on public car patrol he noticed lorry P.C.12, 2017 hanging on to the side of public car No. 4368 in Hennessy Road. The car was going at a speed of about 40 M.P.H.
The public car stopped after some distance.

Kai Tak Case Sequel

The record seizure of 2,500 tacks of raw opium at Kai Tak airfield on June 23 was recalled at Mr. Blair-Kerr's Court yesterday when Mr. Marcus da Silva applied for a re-hearing of the case against Chan Chun-wah and Tong Chi-wah who were, on June 25, sentenced to one year's hard labour by Mr. Latimer.

At that trial Tong was alleged to have smuggled 300 tacks of the drug, and Chan 2,000 tacks. The prosecuting officer, SIO Humphreys, applied for the maximum prison sentence without the option of a fine.

Mr. Silva yesterday said he would require some time for evidence to come from Kunning.

Rotary Election Of Officers

On Tuesday the Rotary Club of Hongkong held a closed meeting for the purpose of inducting the new President and Officers of the Club for the Club year July 1st, 1947 to June 30th, 1948. The meeting was presided over by the Vice President, Mr. Ngan Shing Kwan, who, before the induction ceremony, welcomed Rotarian Albert T. Quen from the Los Angeles Club. The new President, Dr. F. I. Tsung, was then formally inducted into office with a special Rotary insignia.

Mr. Ngan then expressed his gratitude to all the retiring officers for their splendid cooperation and support during his term of office, and welcomed all the new Directors and Officers of the various Sub-Committees, who were as follows:

President: Dr. F. I. Tsung; Vice-President: Mr. H. G. W. Woodhead, C.B.E.; Secretary: Mr. John W. Y. Yuen; Treasurer: Mr. H. C. Field; Directors: Messrs. Fung Ping Fan, D. B. Hui, H. A. Lam, Kwok Chan, N. Garland and George Lin.

Alms and Objects Committee: Dr. F. I. Tsung (Chairman), H. G. W. Woodhead, John W. Y. Yuen, N. Garland, Kwok Chan and E. B. Mitchell.
Club Service Committee: H. G. W. Woodhead (Chairman), Fung Ping Fan, George Lin, H. A. Lam, N. J. Perrin and C. L. Wang.
Vocational Service Committee: N. Garland (Chairman), H. Bragg, Chang Chi Hai and D. L. Strellett.
Community Service Committee: Kwok Chan (Chairman), A. C. Arnold, J. H. Montgomery, Y. K. Chow, A. W. Ingram and Lambert Kwok.
International Service Committee: E. J. R. Mitchell (Chairman), Arthur Woo, H. R. Perrin, Samuel B. Young and T. H. Rowell.
Public Information Committee: N. J. Perrin (Chairman), G. Hopper, C. E. Mite and Miss D. B. Hui.
Classification Committee: Fung Ping Fan (Chairman), J. T. Choy and G. A. H. Fong.
Membership Committee: George Lin (Chairman), D. P. K. Au and N. V. A. Croucher.

Wong Tsun-fong, police constable, was brought before Mr. D'Almada on a charge of extortion of \$100 and was formally remanded for one week.

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HE'LL RECOVER!

HOW MUCH?

COMMUNISTS IN COURT

Four self-confessed Communists were sentenced to the maximum term of three years' hard labour by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when they pleaded guilty to the charge of possession of arms and ammunition at Tai Miu, Tin Ha Village, on June 18.

Prosecuting, DSI Matches said that a Police party from Kowloon City Police Station (comprising DS Charles Mottram, CI Clarke, himself and Chinese detectives) went out to the Tin Ha Village, in Josa Bay, where they found the accused sleeping in a temple.

An automatic pistol and a revolver with 10 rounds of ammunition were found on Wong Kwai-ann. Lee Sang had a revolver and nine rounds of ammunition; Lam Kai-cheung, a revolver and 15 rounds; and Chau Fong, a revolver and 10 rounds, said DSI Matches. All the revolvers and pistols were fully loaded.

Questioned, defendants admitted that they had been getting rice and food from the villages but said no threats were used. They further said that they were Communists and that this was the first time they have been in British territory.

Personalia

Leaving next month on home leave (provided permission is granted by then) Police Inspector J.S. Hill of the Water Police is planning a trip to Australia where his wife and three children are. With almost 20 years' service in the Hong Kong Police Force, Inspector Hill is one of the fortunate survivors of the "Lisbon Maru".

He first arrived here in December, 1928, after serving two years in the London Metropolitan Police. When the Japanese attacked Hong Kong he was attached to the 5.7 Rajputs at Shaokwan. During the occupation he was transferred from camp to camp in Hong Kong before finally being placed on board the ill-fated "Lisbon Maru" for Japan.

Inspector Hill swam about for four hours in the sea before he was picked up by the Japanese and sent to an internment camp in Japan. There he stayed until the end of the war, when he went to Australia to join his wife who was evacuated from Hong Kong in July 1940.

Inspector Hill resumed his post in the Police Force in August last year. For helping Canadian POW's in the various camps he has received a Letter of Commendation from the Canadian Prime Minister and Government.

Week-end arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel included: Professor Lee Fung-hsin, H.C. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. R.G.H. Watts, W.D.A. Lambert, N.S. Yin, Mr. and Mrs. G. Harrison, R.H. Jorgensen, T.G. Harding, R.W. Freeman, R.E. Baker, J.M. Dugan, Mrs. L. Blacker, S.J. Schlenker, M.S. Pollin, Visvut Arthayutski, Roomana Wongsuan and Luang Blachana.

Week-end departures from the Peninsula Hotel included: Capt. M.R. Dreher, G. Aldis, M.A. Alzate, C. Almal, V. Borja, F.D. Maramba, A.E. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Hulton, Mrs. Yu Eng 'ing, Mrs. V. Durbin, S.A. Nichol, G.J. Garibaldi, R.H. Roxburgh, A.G. Belcher, Mrs. P. Hodgson, P.C. Fairbairn, Mrs. Leslie Ross, M. Georgiadis, N. Olsen, J.A. Ross, E. Stutz, J.L. Zylstra, E.G. Elliott, J.B. Dewhurst, Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Read, T.M. Switz, R. Guillaume, J. Richardson, Capt. and Mrs. Mantoux, Mrs. D. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jones.

Mr. C.E. Ross, Films Officer of the British Information Office in Shanghai, is scheduled to fly to Shanghai today. Mr. Ross served in the Ministry of Information's Hong Kong office up to the outbreak of the Pacific War.

He escaped from Hong Kong with Mr. D.M. MacDougall, and Sir Admiral Chan Chak on the day Hong Kong surrendered.

After a period with the Ministry of Information's Office in Free China, Mr. Ross went to San Francisco to join the British Military Mission in Germany. General Wong Kl-cheung is leaving in a day or two for Europe by the "André Labou".

During his brief stopover here he has been enthusiastically entertained by the local Chinese community.

General Wong comes from the Mohsen District, in North Kwangtung. He participated in Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's Northern Expedition to unify China, and was in active service throughout World War Two.

Mr. Ronald Ruskin Todd, Acting Colonial Secretary, is to wed Miss Madge Griffiths, of 6 Mount Road, Wallasey, Cheshire.

Other forthcoming weddings announced yesterday were: Mr. William Arthur Welch of No. 207 Queen's Road to Mrs. Ivy Serita Julia Lambert, nee Gordon, secretary, residing at Gloucester Hotel.

Mr. L. Loyd Cramer McCellan, air pilot, residing at Peninsula Hotel, to Miss Doris Arline English, Secretary, Manila Hotel.

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CANADA'S DOMINION DAY CELEBRATED

More than 350 people were present last evening at a cocktail party in the Hong Kong Club in honour of Canada's National Day. Mr. K. F. Noble, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, who addressed the gathering, said:—

"Eighty years ago on July 1, 1867, four British colonies in North America came together in free confederation to establish Canada—a new country dedicated to the principles of freedom of religion, of person, and of speech and government on a basis of political democracy. "These colonies were Nova Scotia, or Scotland in the new world, New Brunswick whose name perpetuates the first organized settlement of German stock; Lower Canada, now known as Quebec, and La France Nouvelle. Further west was Upper Canada, now known as Ontario, whose population had come from the British colonies to the south. These people had left their new world homelands to continue life under the British flag after the American War of Independence. "To Canada came the enterprising, the hopeful, the dispossessed, the dispirited, all those looking for a new start, for a new life in a new land. In rapid succession other provinces were added—Prince Edward Island, British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta.

The Guests
Among those present were: H.E. the O.A.G., the Hon. Mr. D.M. MacDougall, C.M.G., Vice Admiral Sir Denis Boyd and Lady Boyd, Commodore J. H. Everett, Commodore R. Barry, Commodore J. Tyrrell, Commodore A. F. Collett, Major R. Kindersley, Mr. T.R. Rowell, Mr. J. Jolly, Mr. and Mrs. E. Himsforth, Mr. J.J. Cowperthwaite, Mr. W.J. Wormald, Mr. D.W. Macintosh, Mr. W.M. Latimer, Mr. V. Kenniff, Mr. J. Forbes, Sir Henry and Lady Blackall, Mr. Wynne Jones, Mr. K.A. Hildmead, Mr. R.D. Gillespie and Mr. and Mrs. Wolf.

Common Loyalty

"We that are Canadians are of mixed racial stock and proud of that mixture. Most of the original settlers came from Europe. Today, less than 45% of the population is of Anglo-Saxon origin. But, whether new Canadians of the 20th Century or old Canadians with a tradition extending to the 1600s, we look forward to the future with common loyalty to our country.

"This morning in the military cemetery at Saiwan there was a re-interment service for Canadian servicemen who lost their lives in the fighting in the Far East.

"Some were new Canadians from the Winnipeg Grenadiers, some were old Canadians from the Royal Rifles of Canada recruited in Quebec. All were volunteers. But old or new they died as Canadians and they rest alike in the British soil they fought to save.

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COMMUNISTS IN COURT

Four self-confessed Communists were sentenced to the maximum term of three years' hard labour by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when they pleaded guilty to the charge of possession of arms and ammunition at Tai Miu, Tin Ha Village, on June 18.

Prosecuting, DSI Matches said that a Police party from Kowloon City Police Station (comprising DS Charles Mottram, CI Clarke, himself and Chinese detectives) went out to the Tin Ha Village, in Josa Bay, where they found the accused sleeping in a temple.

An automatic pistol and a revolver with 10 rounds of ammunition were found on Wong Kwai-ann. Lee Sang had a revolver and nine rounds of ammunition; Lam Kai-cheung, a revolver and 15 rounds; and Chau Fong, a revolver and 10 rounds, said DSI Matches. All the revolvers and pistols were fully loaded.

Questioned, defendants admitted that they had been getting rice and food from the villages but said no threats were used. They further said that they were Communists and that this was the first time they have been in British territory.

GRIM NEWS FOR BRITAIN

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Mr. Dalton Paints An Austere Picture

London, June 30. Britons were told today that they would get less tobacco, less petrol, smaller newspapers and possibly fewer American films, smaller rations and fewer clothes in the next 12 months. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, told the House of Commons that greater austerity than ever before was necessary to conserve Britain's dwindling dollars for food, raw materials and machinery.

"Owing to a serious rise in the price of food and raw materials and the disappointing slow rate of postwar recovery, both in Europe and Asia, a severe shortage of dollars is making itself felt in almost all parts of the world."

"In particular, our own line of credit under the Anglo-American loan agreement is being drawn upon more rapidly than we expected."

"It is our clear duty to take further steps to close the gap between our necessary imports and our exports, particularly to hard currency areas."

Austere Picture

The Chancellor drew this austere picture for nation-weary Britons in the next 12 months:

Food.—Government has decided to maintain and, in some directions, to increase slightly, the volume of food imports but short-ages of supply may restrict imports of some foods and possibly cuts, including rationed foods, cannot be ruled out.

Tobacco.—There will be a substantial reduction in tobacco imports.

Petrol.—Britain will reduce its petrol imports; its allocations for the armed forces and for com-

mercial purposes must be restricted.

Newspapers.—Some restrictions in newspaper supplies is inevitable and newspapers must again be reduced to four pages. Since the first of the year, newspapers have been permitted to publish six pages three times weekly.

Films.—Mr. Dalton asked for a levy on imported films "so as to economize foreign exchange further if necessary."

Textiles.—Textile exports will be increased, Mr. Dalton said. British consumers would suffer unless textile workers made "exceptional effort" to increase production sufficiently to make up for the jump in exports.—United Press.

Very Serious

"The situation with regard to prospective supplies of foreign exchange is very serious for this country and many others, and as the House knows, discussions between governments are now taking place. The British Government will keep a constant watch on the future course in this field and it may be necessary to revise this import programme from time to time."

Mr. Eden, deputy leader of the Opposition, stressing the gravity of the situation, said that he did not think this was sufficiently underlined in Mr. Dalton's statement. If exports were increased, there must be hardship—fewer goods for the British people. He referred particularly to textiles.

Mr. Dalton replied that the export of textile goods must be increased because these went better than almost any other in hard currency areas. He hoped, that this would not mean a further imposition of scarcity and coupon restriction on the British people.

It meant an increased total production. An appeal would be made particularly to the textile industry for an exceptional effort. They would be asked to work overtime if need be in this period to step up production.

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Abdel Pasha said the object of the temporary agreement was to give the two governments breathing space, during which they would be able to review the situation further with the object of reaching a longer agreement covering all outstanding points.

Details will be made public on Thursday.—United Press.

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& Co., 1st Floor, Exchange
Building, Des Voeux Road,
Hong Kong, on Thursday, 3rd
July, 1947, at noon, for the pur-
pose of receiving the Company's
Accounts for the ten months
ended 28th February, 1947, and
the Directors' and Auditors' Reports
thereon, to sanction the
payment of dividends, to re-
elect a Director, and to appoint
Auditors.

The Share Transfer Books of
the Company will be closed
from 23rd June, 1947, to 3rd
July, 1947, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of
Directors,
A. W. BROWN
General Manager.

NOTICE

Owing to the Indepen-
dence Day celebrations
to be held on Friday,
July 4, the Vicar
General of the Catholic
Mission grants dispensa-
tion from abstinence
to all U.S.A. Catholics,
the Philippine Com-
munity in the Colony
and their guests on that
day.

A. FEROLDI
Chancellor of the
Catholic Mission.

UNITED SERVICES RECREATION CLUB

In view of the large number
of applications for civilian sub-
scriber membership of the
United Services Recreation Club,
which have been received and
the small number of vacancies
which it is anticipated will arise
during the next three months,
no further applications can be
received at present.

2. A further notice will be
promulgated as soon as the list
re-opens.

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RUGBY SECTION

There will be a meeting of
the Rugby Section of the
H.K.F.C. in the Club House at
Happy Valley at 6 p.m. on Fri-
day July 4th in order to elect
officers for the forthcoming
season.

All members and prospective
members are invited to attend.

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MOLOTOV'S INSISTENCE ON TERMS OF US AID

Paris, June 30.
The Foreign Ministers met for the third time on
the Marshall plan today amid free indications
that the talks might break down if the Soviet
Foreign Minister insists that Russia must fix
the terms of American aid to Europe.

Today's meeting is expected to bring a showdown
between Britain's Ernest Bevin and France's
Georges Bidault on one side and M. Molotov
on the other.

The rift involves the whole
issue of Soviet cooperation with
the Western powers on a sweep-
ing reconstruction programme
for the Continent. Mr. Bevin
is expected to demand a quick
answer from M. Molotov on

TRADE WITH JAPAN

Resumption of private trade
with Japan has been fixed for
15th August, although no
transactions can be completed
before 1st September. No in-
formation is yet available as to
detailed arrangements for the
conduct of trade, but it is cer-
tain that trade will be subject
to considerable restrictions.

Accommodation has however
been arranged by SCAP for a
very limited number of busi-
nessmen from 15th August and
visits to Japan of restricted
duration will be permitted as
from that date. Applications
may therefore now be made for
entry into Japan and should be
addressed to the Department of
Supplies, Trade and Industry
for submission to the appro-
priate authorities in the United
Kingdom; they should provide
the following information:—

- Name of applicant;
- precise purpose of pro-
posed visit and place in
Japan to be visited;
- date and duration;
- any information which
may be of assistance in
assessing the importance
of the visit—e.g., pre-
vious connections with
Japan.

2. Certain accommodation
may be available in advance of
15th August for banking, in-
surance and shipping companies.
Applications from such firms
should be accompanied by a
completed application form for
entry into Japan, obtainable
from the Immigration Office,
Oriental Building.

3. It should be noted that
applications will be accepted only
from firms whose head offices
are registered in Hong Kong.

J. J. COWPERTHWAIT,
Acting Director of Supplies,
Trade and Industry.
Hong Kong, 1st July, 1947.

NOTICE

It is hereby notified that Sealed
Tenders in quintuplicate,
which should be clearly marked
"Tenders for Transportation of
CNRRRA/UNRRA supplies from
Hong Kong to Canton and Wu-
chow," will be received at the
office of the Administrative De-
partment of CNRRRA Kowloon
Supply Office, 803 Bank of East
Asia Building before noon on
7th July 1947.

Forms of Tender, specification
and further particulars may be
obtained from the above-men-
tioned address.

The CNRRRA Kowloon Supply
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accept the lowest or any tender,
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all or any part of each tender.

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CNRRRA Kowloon Supply Office.

RIFF LEADER TO VISIT U.S.A.

Calvo, June 30.
The North African Arab
bureau told the United Press
today that Abd El Karim
would "possibly" go to the
United States whenever his
presence there was deemed
expedient in the campaign for
independence which Tunisia,
Algeria and Morocco are at
present conducting.
The bureau said nothing
was definite yet.—United
Press.

£3,000 For Seducing A Wife

Manchester, June 30.
Judge F. B. Batt today
awarded £3,000 damages
and costs against Major
A. L. Amundson of the
United States Army, as-
serting that he had
"abused the hospitality
of the husband and
seduced the wife."

Philip Shermerline, 37, sued
his wife Rita, 34, for divorce and
named Amundson as co-respon-
dent. Shermerline also was
awarded a decree nisi and given
custody of the two children.
The co-respondent comes to
England, is introduced to this ex-
tremely attractive young woman
and, being given the hospitality
of the house maintained by her
husband, eventually seduces her.
Judge Batt said:

"I am satisfied, looking at Mrs.
Shermerline and viewing her
married life, that this must have
been a very deliberate and long
sized that the co-respondent paid
to her."

"I am also satisfied that he
found someone who was prepared
to flirt rather dangerously and
nothing more. I think his conduct
was extremely reprehensible."

Amundson, who was not pre-
sent in court, maintained that he
did not know Mrs. Shermerline
was married.—United Press.

Pastor Niemoller's Grim Warning

Berlin, June 30.
Pastor Martin Niemoller told the press today a
"new war would make Europe an arsenal for
the Soviet Union and the Western armies
would be thrown into the Channel within two
days."

"The German people have no
interest in a new war because
a new war will destroy all of
Europe," he said.

Pastor Niemoller said that
when he was questioned during
his American tour about war
between the United States and
the Soviet Union, he always re-
plied: "I don't care who wants
the war, but I do know the
European continent would be
destroyed."

Unavoidable If

Niemoller said war would be
unavoidable if Europe were to
continue to be subjected to for-
eign powers.

"There is nothing in between
the United States and the So-
viet Union and they must reach
a peaceful settlement," he said.

up on food and agriculture,
coal and other fuel, iron, steel
and transport. Membership
would be drawn from the coun-
tries mostly concerned.

6. The steering committee
and sub-committees to finish
their work by August 15 and
the steering committee's report
to be communicated to the Unit-
ed States Government.—Unit-
ed Press.

Nationalisation Of Electricity

London, June 30.
Government's plans to nationalise the supply of
electricity in Britain received the approval of
the House of Commons tonight when the Elec-
tricity Nationalisation Bill was passed by 321
votes to 173.

This is the fourth of the Gov-
ernment's nationalisation mea-
sures to pass through the House
of Commons, the others being
Transport, Coal and the Bank of
England.

The supply of electricity will,
after the Bill has passed through
the House of Lords, be taken
over by a new central authority
which will generate electricity for

supply in bulk to 14 Area Boards.
Hitherto, supply has been in the
hands of 570 large electricity
undertakings.

The new authority is authori-
sed to issue £700,000,000 for
building power stations and de-
veloping distribution.
About £350,000,000 will be paid
to stockholders in compensation.
—Reuter.

DOMESTIC MEAT RATION CUT

London, June 30.
A reduction in Britain's domestic meat ration was
announced in the House of Commons today by
Dr. Edith Summerskill, Parliamentary Secre-
tary to the Ministry of Food.

Instead of 4d worth of meat
to which each person has been
entitled weekly for the past six-
and-a-half months, the meat
ration will be worth 3d from
July 13.

The reduction will be in canned
corned meat, a small proportion
of which is included in each
ration.

No Fresh Stocks

Dr. Summerskill said that the
cut could be blamed on two fail-
ures in hog production as a result of
last winter's severe weather,
heavy slaughtering last autumn,
and the abnormal growth of feces
in recent weeks which led to
farmers to delay the sale of fat
stock until later in the year. If
the situation had been normal,
the necessary reduction in pro-
cessed meat could have been made
up by fresh meat.

The position would be difficult
for several months, she said, and
it was impossible to forecast how
long the reduced ration would
remain in effect.—Reuter.

the loyalty of Japanese-Americans
in Hawaii during the war.
Johnson said that during the
war the Japanese in Hawaii were
"more loyal, more devoted and
gave better service to the United
States than the Japanese in Cal-
ifornia."—Associated Press.

No Declaration Over Irish Partition

London, June 30.
He did not think it would be a useful thing, as sug-
gested by a Labour Member, Mr. Hugh Del-
argy, that he should announce that it was the
Government's desire to see partition in Ire-
land ended, and that if an agreement were
reached between the people of the two parts of
Ireland, the Government would not hesitate
to give it effect, declared Mr. Clement Attlee,
the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons
today.

Mr. Delargy had asked if the
Prime Minister had considered
the statement to this effect made
by the Prime Minister of Eire,
Mr. Eamon De Valera, on June
24, declaring that such a state-
ment would help towards a solu-
tion of the problem.

Mr. Attlee replied:

"I have seen reports of the
statement made by Mr. De Valera
to which you refer. It has been
made clear on many occasions
that the closest relations between
Great Britain and both Northern
Ireland and Eire exist and a
satisfactory solution of any out-
standing questions is desirable.
But I do not consider that this
policy would be assisted by mak-
ing a statement on the lines sug-
gested by Mr. Delargy."

"Great Interest"

Mr. Delargy: "Are you not
aware that such a simple declara-
tion, as I suggest, does not involve
the Government in any imme-
diate policy, and that it would
be of great satisfaction to both
parts of Ireland and would help
in the friendship of the United
States where this question is re-
garded with great interest?"
Mr. Attlee: "I do not think
that would be a useful thing to
do."—Reuter.

Empire Defence Problem

London, June 30.
The defence of coun-
tries which might leave
the Empire was raised at
question time in the
House of Commons to-
day by the Labour mem-
ber, Mr. Thomas Reid.

He asked for an assurance from
the Prime Minister that any
country leaving the Empire (thus
becoming a "foreign" country)
would not automatically have its
defences shared by Great Britain
and that the Governments of the
Commonwealth and Empire
would be consulted before any
decisions regarding the security of
such countries were made.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee,
replied:
"Any proposal to share defence
responsibilities in a case of this
kind must obviously be a matter
for negotiation and treaty with
the government concerned."

"In the event of such a situa-
tion arising, the normal pro-
cedure as regards consultation
with other countries of the
Commonwealth would be follow-
ed."—Reuter.

Senora Peron Is Fatigued

Rome, June 30.
Rafael O'Campo Jimenez,
Argentine Ambassador to Italy,
said that plans for Senora Eva
Peron for tomorrow were inde-
finite because of the cancella-
tion of her Venice trip.

He said Senora Peron had
expressed a desire to see da
Vinci's "Last Supper" at the
Santa Maria delle Grazie
church, which she did not visit
today because of fatigue. She
will return to Rome from Milan
by plane in the early afternoon
tomorrow, he said.

The Ambassador said Senora
Peron "might do a little more
sightseeing in Milan before
leaving if she feels rested
enough tomorrow." He said
she might not remain in Rome
but might go directly to Naples
and Capri to begin her rest be-
fore resuming her European
tour.

Argentine sources discounted
rumours that cancellation of
Senora Peron's North Italy
tour might have been due to
the riot during Premier Alcide
de Gasperi's address at Venice
yesterday.

They said Senora Peron's
fatigue and the continued
awakening heat were the only
reasons for her decision to go
south to rest.—United Press.

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APPEAL BY "SLAP-HAPPY" Counsel Quotes From William Joyce Trial Court Reserves Judgment

Judgment was reserved by the Full Court comprising Mr. Justice Williams and Mr. Justice Gould in the appeal yesterday of Inouye Kanao (Slap Happy) against the sentence of death passed on him on April 22 for treason by Sir Henry Blackall.

The appeal was made on behalf of Inouye by Mr. C. Loseby, instructed by Mr. H. K. Woo, and Mr. A. Lonsdale represented the Crown.

In his 2½ hour submission to the Court, Mr. Loseby said his appeal was on two grounds, namely that the trial judge was wrong in law in misdirecting the jury that Appellant at all material times was a British subject and was definitely never a Japanese subject; and that the learned judge was wrong in law in withdrawing from the jury the issue whether at all material times Appellant owed allegiance to the King.

Counsel for Appellant said in his application for leave to appeal he had submitted that the indictment against Inouye was composed of 20 to 30 overt acts based on false propaganda activities in 1941. Many witnesses were called for the prosecution, whom he did not cross-examine, and the acts Inouye was accused of committing were not denied by the defense.

Defence Argument
The contention of the defense was that the Appellant was not a British subject, that he was a Japanese subject, and at all material times owed no allegiance to the King.

The only issue then before the jury was whether accused owed allegiance to the British Crown or to the Japanese Emperor. This issue was withdrawn from the jury, Counsel submitted, when the learned trial judge directed them in his summing up that Appellant was a British-born subject and remained so at all material times.

When a question was put to him by the jury as to whether Appellant was definitely a British subject, he replied "Yes." In these two completely clear phrases, submitted Mr. Loseby, the learned trial judge had withdrawn the issue from the jury. There was no doubt in the mind that the trial judge had deemed it his duty, a burden upon himself, to decide on this point.

Joyce Trial
Mr. Loseby submitted the trial judge was in error on this last point, both in fact and in law, and on a point of importance in that it was calculated to affect adversely the mind of the jury. The issue should have been left to them to decide.

Counsel for Appellant then quoted at length from the trial of William Joyce who (he submitted) should not have been convicted in the light of the evidence submitted. He quoted the minority judgment of Lord Porter.

In the case of his client, the trial judge had followed the precedent of Mr. Justice Tucker in the Joyce case, and had given a short, curt and abrupt answer to the jury which was wrong in law.

Asked by Mr. Justice Williams what answer the trial judge should have given, Mr. Loseby submitted the proper course would have been for him to tell the jury: "The law on this question is before you, the facts are as given in the evidence, it is for you to make up your own mind what to believe and what not to believe on the subject."

Not Technical Point
Mr. Loseby said Joyce was perhaps one of the most vicious and odious persons one could meet. But Lord Porter did not allow his judgment to be clouded on that account.

He felt that arising out of the Joyce case a point needed to be clarified, namely, what was the duty of the trial judge and the duty of the jury respectively in this matter, and the duty of allegiance at the particular time named in the indictment. Whose duty was it to decide the question of allegiance or not at the material date? Was this for the judge or for the jury to decide?

On such a charge as treason, submitted Mr. Loseby, should a man be tried by a judge sitting alone without a jury? If the Joyce case was closely analyzed, that in effect was the case.

Mr. Loseby submitted that he was not raising a technical point, but one of merit or demerit affecting the right of the citizen and affecting his chance when standing in peril of his life.

Crown's Reply
Mr. Lonsdale, replying for the Crown, said there was no relevancy between the Joyce case and the present one. Inouye was born a British subject and there was no evidence that he had taken any action to divest himself of his British nationality.

Counsel quoted at length from various authorities on the law of nationality, particularly dual nationality, and submitted that there could not be any doubt that Appellant was at all material times a British subject. While he might have considered himself a Japanese subject, he had on his own admission, said he had done nothing to abandon his British nationality status. Ignorance of the law on this point did not relieve him from this responsibility.

Counsel to the principal point of the appeal, misdirection of the jury, Crown Counsel

BURMA AND U.N.O.

London, June 30. The Government of Burma has officially notified the British Government that it wished to become a member of the United Nations. Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Under-Secretary of State for Burma, stated in a Parliamentary answer today.—Reuter.

July Fourth Celebration

Between 350 and 375 members of the American Community in Hong Kong will observe the "Fourth of July" on Friday at a reception from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the American Club.

In addition to American and non-American club members and their wives, top government officials and heads of leading British firms have been invited to attend the celebration of Independence Day.

Brief speeches and toasts to the King and President of the United States are scheduled to be made by William Simmons, club president, and George D. Hopper, American Consul General in Hong Kong.

BUS DISPUTE SETTLED

Fears of a walkout by China Motorbus Company conductors were completely wiped out yesterday morning when a settlement was reached between the management and the representatives of the strike-threatening men.

The "China Mail" learned that the Company agreed to reinstate the two dismissed conductors but these will not receive any pay for the suspension period. As a result, the conductors waived the other demands.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

Hong Kong War Memorial Fund subscriptions received on July 1, 1947:

Mr. Tan Lay Kee 10.00
Mr. A. Moore, CBE and Mrs. Moore 4,000.00
In memory of the Canadian War Dead from all ranks H.K.V.D.C. 100.00
China Products Trading Corporation (Hong Kong) Ltd. 100.00
James T. Prior, Esq. 100.00
Hong Kong St. Andrew's Society (in memory of the late Mr. J. Kempton) 25.00

Total 4,825.00

H.K. Government Contribution 1,830.00

Received to June 28, 1947 1,055,728.56

Grand Total \$1,055,398.56

BOYS' CLUBS DONATIONS

The Hong Kong Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association acknowledges with thanks receipt of the following subscriptions:

Mr. K.C. Tang \$50; Mr. H. Bernacchi \$100; Roy Powell Export/Import Co., Ltd. \$20; St. Stephen's Girls' College Guild of Help \$200; Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd. \$100; Hong Kong Football Association \$750; Chinese Y.W.C.A. \$50; Diocesan Boys' School \$100; Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co. Ltd. \$100; Mr. Anthony Lee \$40; Hong Kong Cricket Club \$80.

Subscriptions will be welcomed by the Hon. Treasurer, Hong Kong Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association, Upper Albert Road.

Three men armed with revolvers at about 3.30 p.m. yesterday gained admittance to 60 Des Voeux Road Central, 2nd floor, occupied by a midwife. The inmates, including two women about to give birth, were robbed \$300 in cash, 1 gold chain, and three gold rings.

Mr. Lonsdale submitted that the answer of the trial judge to the jury must not be taken out of its context. It must be read in conjunction with the evidence and the summing up.

Mr. Lonsdale submitted there could not be the shadow of a doubt that any jury of reasonable men, after listening to the evidence, could come to any other decision, question or no question to the judge.

Mr. Loseby reiterated that because the issue was not left to the jury to decide he felt that the appeal should be allowed.

Claims For Looted Property

Tokyo, July 1. The SCAP civil property custodian announced today that United Nations nationals living outside Japan may transmit powers of attorney to designated agents here to accept and accept on their behalf the restitution of property owned by such United Nations nationals which was confiscated, blocked or wrongfully transferred by the Nipponese during the war.

Persons here — including Japanese, if such power of attorney is addressed to them — may make application in the owner's name for the return of such property.

Any funds returned under this procedure cannot be converted into dollars or other foreign exchange at the moment.

As soon as such property is turned over to an agent bearing the owner's power of attorney, SCAP responsibility for its production and preservation ceases.—Associated Press.

H.K. MOTOR VEHICLES

The total number of motor vehicles registered in Hong Kong up to May 28th, 1947, was 5,192.

Motor Cycles 275
Private Cars 2635
Taxicabs 224
Public Hire Cars 220
Motor Buses 115
Public Commercial Lorries 1174
Private Commercial Lorries 352
Government Lorries 141
Police Department Lorries 30

Total 5192

Tsui Chu-hing, 303 Queen's Road West, 2nd floor, was charged before Mr. D'Almeida at the Central Magistracy yesterday with having on various dates between April 1 and May 18 had carnal knowledge with two girls aged 8 and 6. After evidence was given by Dr. Au, the two girls and their mother, the case was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. tomorrow.



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THREAT OF PARIS
FAILURE

The suggestion that the Paris Conference to discuss the American offer of support to a joint European reconstruction plan is threatened to failure is disappointing if not altogether unexpected. How great and urgent is the need is revealed by Dr. Dalton's gloomy statement to the House of Commons announcing cuts in petrol, tobacco, film and newspaper imports, and warning that foodstuffs may come next on the list—in the face of Britain's rapidly diminishing dollar resources. If that represents Britain's plight, how much graver is that of several of the countries of Europe? Yet if any surprise is felt at the difficulties which M. Molotov has hitherto placed in the way of Russo-French-British cooperation in formulating a programme, it is rather that the Soviet Foreign Minister bothered to travel from Moscow to Paris in order to be obstructive than that he should find himself in disagreement with Mr. Bevin. Actually, the outlines of the two procedure proposals reveal a substantial amount of common ground, and unfortunately when M. Molotov insists upon a clearer definition of the extent of the proposed American aid, he has much to support his argument. It is one of the great weaknesses of the American system that the Executive can never be sure of backing from the Legislature, and the statement of Mr. Snyder, of the U.S. Treasury, that no financial commitments have even been mentioned, scarcely encourages confidence. Nevertheless, no two courses are open. If M. Molotov refuses, on behalf of the Soviet Government, to cooperate, those parts of Europe which can do so must give the best answer they can to America without Russia and her European satellites. The Foreign Ministers are to meet again, and it will then be possible to judge whether Russia really is so decided to abandon collaboration as she seems. In the economic field, far more than in the political, East and West have common needs. It does not follow therefore that because at the moment Russia is conducting a political offensive she will reject this opportunity of economic assistance merely because she cannot get it on her own terms. On the face of things, insofar as they have been disclosed, an accommodation of viewpoints should not defy arrangement. In so complicated a matter, it does not seem to matter vitally whether the organisation to state the needs and plans of Europe is given the title of "Steering Committee" or "Assistance Committee," so long as its essential functions are satisfactorily understood. All that really matters is that the question which General Marshall has posed should be answered quickly and in a form that will convince Congress of the constructive character of the answers. Time presses, not only because the economic clouds are mounting up, but also because next year the American people will be immensely preoccupied with their internal affairs in view of the Presidential elections. The sooner Europe's voice is heard by Congress the better will be the atmosphere in which it is heard. Spread and consensus are the essence of an effective response by Europe to the American offer. Both Mr. Bevin and M. Bidault have shown that this is fully grasped in Western Europe, and they should be prepared to proceed, with or without Russia. It would be better that Russia joined in. That might lead to an improvement in the political atmosphere also. But if Russia is determined to be obstructive, the more reason for a counterblast, for ignoring her.

Place Of The Civil Service
In The New Britain

By MR. HERBERT MORRISON

The problem of civil service manpower must of course be considered against the economic background. On the surface our economic situation is changing very fast, but beneath the surface our problems remain much the same. In fact more of our difficulties spring from our unwillingness to see ourselves defeated in the peace after having been victors in the war. Our victory cost us dear and will go on handicapping us heavily for years.

If we were prepared to accept a lower standard of life and to give up many of our ideals and to renounce a great part of our responsibilities in the world, it would not be so very difficult to deal with our economic situation. We would just see what resources happened to be available to us and use them as best we could, hoping that they would increase, but not making any concerted effort to increase them. Then we would have to cut our social services and our overseas responsibilities, and accept heavy unemployment, and a wretchedly poor diet and in this way we could struggle along letting the economic situation dictate our actions.

"Inevitable"

That, after all, is what any Government before this war would have thought natural and inevitable. It was done again in 1931, but that is not our way now and any Government which sought to take that way would find the gap between our national requirements and our currently available resources impossible to bridge by any acceptable means. What used to be called living within our means, cutting our coat to suit our cloth, is simply not practicable in the short run for this country. It would be suicide for us and it would be ruin to the world. We must, therefore, go the opposite way about it. We must set about making enough cloth for the coat which we think will fit us. To do this means a great effort and the greater the effort the more organisation is needed, and in modern conditions more organisation means more government.

It is no use having illusions about this. Any person or group who asks for more of almost anything in the post-war circumstances of Britain is in fact asking for more government. The classical conditions in which more could be got by the free play of the market have ceased to operate for us for the time being. It is no use people asking for more houses or more health services or more coal or more clothing without being prepared to face the fact that they are asking for Government intervention. That should not be forgotten, but we must not forget either that jobs which are laid upon the Government machine must be carried out with maximum efficiency, energy, and economy.

Thankless Task

The more people ask for in relation to resources, the more strain is thrown on the whole Government machine. We have to try to translate the innumerable requirements of the British people into workable shape so far as they involve government. We have, then, to try to find additional resources to meet the very large fraction of these requirements which cannot be met out of the resources immediately available. It is a thankless task always to be cutting people down, rationing, controlling and regulating. We all want to see the emphasis put the other way, on an expanding economy and more elbow room all round. Some people argue that the very existence of controls and rationing damps down enterprise, discourages economic recovery and tends therefore to perpetuate controls. It is for the Government to prove this argument to be unfounded.

We can already claim—largely through that new branch of the Civil Service, the Information Services—to have awakened the nation as never before to the need for production, the need for good management and efficiency, and team work in economic affairs and to the rightful status of the workers (who like us are doing essential jobs, but many of whom, unlike us, have to get their hands and faces dirty). The nation is now aware of what faces it, as it was not aware after V. J. Day, or even a year ago. That is a big gain, because history shows that when the British are aware of what they are up against their answer is not long in coming.

Too Simple

Our main economic objective is, therefore, only too simple;

It is to raise our productive capacity and efficiency to the highest point. This objective of increasing resources must take priority for the time being over all the objectives of raising requirements, whether for social services, or consumer goods, or even desirable forms of investment. While we must carry on all our national activities as best we can, the main priority must be given to expanding the capacity of our economy to meet requirements of all sorts.

For this purpose we must, above all, be able to ascertain and to secure the best distribution of manpower. However successful we may be in other directions, if we fail to recruit enough coal-miners in the pits and textile workers in the mills and agricultural workers on the land, all our other efforts are doomed to frustration. However dark our import position is, it is the lack of home produced fuel and clothing and building materials and foodstuffs which cause the greatest stringency today, and these shortages go back partly to the fact that the Government did not feel justified in directing people into these under-manned industries after they had been stripped of able-bodied manpower during the war. The fact that men are now pouring into the mines about as fast as they can be absorbed, confirms once more that democracy can get the right results although it may take a little longer at the outset to get going. But this is not a matter of exhorting people to go into the pits or the mills. It involves the redeployment of the labour force so that everybody is employed to the best advantage, and so that by a necessarily complicated process what may seem to be irrelevant manpower savings in one part of the country or in one branch of the economy may ultimately secure the desired results.

The Skeletons

You will see that in discussing the economic background it is impossible to get far from the tasks of the Civil Service. What a change has occurred since Gladstone's day! In those times the world seemed large and ample and slow moving. Even the skeletons were kept in roomy cupboards from which they only fell out one or two at a time, not like nowadays when every imaginable skeleton—international and domestic, economic or social—is firmly dragged out of its cupboard and put on the Cabinet table to add to the heap already there. Then again, until 1914, money was virtually the only method of control both of the entire economy and of the operations of government itself. The Civil Service existed to regulate with intelligence, integrity and accuracy a relatively small though widening fringe of functions which were admitted to belong to the State. Now, in this shrunken, battered, post-war world, things move terrifyingly swiftly. Problems multiply and each runs into and modifies the next one. In addition to money we have many alternative and overlapping controls over construction and materials and the right to engage in specific activities. All this means that the Civil Service needs not only to keep all its traditional qualities, but to acquire a whole lot of new ones. We still need a Civil Service which can hold the ring and see fair play in industry, but we also want a battle-winning spirit in the Service, in fact we need the ability to go into the ring and seize the initiative in many fields where the country is rightly waiting for Government leadership to become visible in administration. In a planned economy the Civil Service has a managerial function. Whitehall is a great head office of business enterprise with a whole host of branch offices, directly or indirectly dependent upon it. The Civil Service must adapt itself to this role.

The State

Again, the British people have a view of the State which is very different from that held in some parts of Europe. Our State is not an impersonal superior to things which has a right to do things to us. It is simply a group of human beings trying to do things together in a fair and orderly manner. We expect it to treat us like human beings, and as servants of the State we must see that the State is human, both in what it does and in its way of doing things, and, I

may add, in the way in which its servants may think.

I cannot miss this opportunity of saying some things I have long wanted to say about the British Civil Service. It does not wear a uniform like other services of the Crown and the work of the individual civil servant is inconspicuous and anonymous. There is very rarely any occasion when it comes up for special public notice. In the past a lot of people, some of whom did not want the Civil Service to take on too much or to build up a record of successful State action, took every opportunity of running down and abusing the Civil Service. Anyone who saw, as I did at the Home Office and Ministry of Home Security and at Supply, the way the Service stood up to its wartime tasks can only admire its great spirit and its immense capacity.

As you know, all sorts of precautionary plans were made against the danger that the Civil Service might find it impossible to carry on from Whitehall. Even in the worst days of the blitz it was never necessary to put these plans into effect. Bombs might rain down, Government Departments, such as the Treasury and the Admiralty, might suffer direct hits, and transport and communications might be disrupted, but still His Majesty's Government was carried on and the flow of instructions and background continued to every part of the world in which our war effort was being made.

Very Different

In many places Civil Servants on their official duties came under enemy fire both at home and overseas. In spite of the veracity which was shown by the Service during the war I think few people even yet have any idea how varied the jobs performed by the Civil Service and how many of them involve qualities very different from those which are from time to time caricatured in various quarters. In fact, just as before the war there were those who used to depict all scientists as long-haired, absent-minded professors incapable of any practical contribution, until those same scientists came out in the front rank of war winners, so some people still go on trying to depict the Civil Servant as a narrow minded timid bureaucrat. It simply isn't true.

I could go on giving more and more examples of Board of Trade staffs working right round the clock to get the British Industries Fair ready in time for the curtains to go up, or the commands exploits performed by Ministry of Agriculture officers during the recent floods, but I think I have given enough examples to show that the Civil Servant today is a very different type from the caricature of him which still pops up in some quarters. I hope that some day these people will catch up with realities—which I am glad to see they have done in the case of the scientists—but if they are going to catch up they had better lose no time.

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"THERE MUST have been a revoke, or possibly a couple of them" is a type of comment often heard by players in a duplicate game as they look at the travelling score slip of a deal on which one particular result seems "cold" and notice that some unbelievable score has come at another table. Ordinarily they try to figure out how it could have happened, then after the play gets hold of the people at the table where the unusual outcome was recorded. Usually they find that either brilliant work by one side or unsoundness by the other caused the bizarre development.

SAK J 8 5 4
H 8 4
CA 9 4 3
S 10 7 3 2
N 10 8 7 6
W 10 8 7 6
E 10 8 7 6
D 10 8 7 6
C 10 8 7 6

(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)

North East South West
1 S Pass 2 H Pass
3 S Pass 3 NT Pass
4 S

East led his club J, which the K won. North led to the club A, ruffed the 4 with the spade 6 and saw West over-ruff with the Q. The diamond K won and the A was ruffed by the spade 4. North reckoned that West's failure to return a trump indicated he had no

more, so ruffed the club 9 with the dummy's last spade and easily took all but one of the remainder with the ruff of a diamond, three high trumps, two heart leads including one ruffed by East and then the last with a trump.

The score slip then showed that one 4-Spade contractor got set two tricks! Inquiry showed how that crazy result developed. The club K won the first trick, then declarer tried to set up hearts by taking the A and K, intending to ruff the third. But East ruffed the second heart, led to the diamond K and the heart 9 was ruffed by the spade J. North scored the club A and led the 4 to ruff with the spade 6, which West over-ruffed. The heart 10 was returned. North ruffed with the spade 8 and was over-ruffed by the 10. East then returned his spade 3, taking out dummy's last trump and assuring the defence a fifth trick with the club 10 over North's 9.

Tomorrow's Problem
SAK 10 2
HA 9 8 5
DK
CA 9 4 2

S 8 7 4
H 7 6 5
D 9 6 4
C J 10 7 6

S J 5 3
H J 10 4 3 2
D A 6 3 2
C K

(Dealer: South. Both sides vulnerable.)
How valuable do you rate the singleton kings of North and South during the bidding?

Japan's Plea For Assistance

Tokyo, July 1. Premier Katayama, addressing the Diet today, expressed the hope that the peace conference would be held as soon as possible, adding that the peace treaty would be the "dawn" of a new era.

He said the Japanese nation had been demilitarized and was making progress toward democratization. He also said the

Japanese people hoped they could return to the world family of nations as soon as possible and contribute to permanent world peace.

In this connection, Katayama welcomed SCAP's decision regarding private international commercial relations with Japan as aiding Japan's recovery. At the same time, he expressed hope for spiritual and economic

assistance from the Allied nations.

He devoted a great portion of his speech to admitting the nation's economic difficulties, asking the nation's cooperation in support of the government economic programme.

He made no reference to the reparations question nor to occupation problems after the peace treaty was signed. —United Press.

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Ramadier Denies Rumour

Paris, July 1. Premier Ramadier denied persistent reports today that he would shake up his Cabinet in an effort to avoid resigning and plunging the nation into a governmental crisis.

The future of his government, he told reporters, is dependent upon the National Assembly's action on a motion of confidence that he said he would propose soon, probably Wednesday. His denial coincided with reports from his own office on Monday night that he contemplated making several changes in his Cabinet which, informants said, might avert his forced resignation. Ramadier's troubles are coming to a head at the start of the crucial month of July, which the Communist-dominated Labour Union Federation has set a deadline for discussion of the revision of wage scales for all French workers.

Strikes

Approximately 1,000,000 metal workers have scheduled a 24-hour nation-wide strike today. Bank employees said their 11-day walkout for higher wages would continue indefinitely. A strike of the nationalized tobacco industry was averted only by last minute negotiations. Disagreement among the Socialists, the central MRP, Radical Socialists and Independents on how far to go in meeting labour's demands is one cause of the shakiness of the Cabinet. Associated Press.

Reunited After 37 Years

Dundee, July 1. Two childhood sweethearts, Mrs. Rose Waldron of Buffalo, New York, and Colin McMahon, of Dundee, were reunited on Monday but no wedding bells are in prospect yet. They separated in 1910 when Mrs. Waldron—then Rose Connor—moved with her family to America. Each married but six years ago Mrs. Waldron was widowed and McMahon's wife died. Two years ago the childhood sweethearts began to correspond. On Monday Mrs. Waldron, now 51, arrived in Dundee after flying the Atlantic to spend a month in Scotland at McMahon's invitation. Asked if he intended to propose marriage, McMahon, 55, said: "Not this time, but when I visit Rose in Buffalo two years from now I hope to pop the question." Mrs. Waldron gave no hint what her answer would be. Associated Press.

BRITAIN ASKS FOR AN EXPLANATION

London, June 30. Major Christopher Mayhew, Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs, told the House of Commons today that the British Ambassador in Washington had been instructed to seek an explanation of United States action in authorizing a second Japanese Antarctic whaling expedition without consultation with her wartime Allies.

Great Britain reluctantly assented to the first Japanese whaling expedition last year on the understanding that London and the Dominions would be consulted if another expedition was contemplated.

The Foreign Office has made it known that Britain considers Japanese whaling methods wasteful and also fears a whaling fleet might provide the nucleus for a future Japanese navy.

A Foreign Office spokesman also revealed today that the British representative in Tokyo had been asked for a report on General Douglas MacArthur's action in authorizing the Japanese to work the phosphate deposit on Angaur Island without consulting Britain or Australia.

The spokesman, commenting on General MacArthur's statement on the Japanese peace treaty, said Britain shared the viewpoint that conclusion of a peace treaty with Japan was de-

"Commandos" As A Spearhead

Paris, June 30. General Charles de Gaulle was to have been assassinated sometime in July as part of the plot which was officially disclosed today to overthrow the French Republic, the Paris evening paper "L'Intransigeant" reported tonight. General de Gaulle, it said, was to be killed "in what would have appeared to be a Communist act so as to arouse the indignation of the French population."

The plot was revealed today by M. Depreux, Minister of the Interior, who said that a Fascist "March on Paris"—apparently somewhat on the lines of Mussolini's march on Rome—was to be carried out by Rightwing Resistance men, Monarchists, Vichy supporters and former collaborators, calling themselves the "Black Maquis."

Official investigation has been going on since the end of last year, he said, and conclusive evidence had been amassed by last March.

The rising appeared to have been planned for some time in July or for August 6, though he did not know of any special significance in that date. Tanks and armed vehicles were to have been used.

Three prominent people, including a general, have been arrested. It is announced that a middle-aged woman, member of an old French family, has been questioned by the police on reports that much of the plotting was done in her salon, allegedly beneath a portrait of Mussolini.

The plot included plans for a double-pronged march on Paris, from Brittany in the west and from the French Zone of Germany in the East. M. Depreux told a press conference. The first objective of the plotters was to organize a jailbreak at Vannes, in Brittany, to create an atmosphere of civil war.

From evidence obtained, M. Depreux said, some or even all of the gendarmerie guarding Vannes Prison would have been involved in the break, offering only "token" resistance by firing revolvers in the air.

Central Hqs.

The plot appears to have been largely engineered in Brittany, the Monarchist and Rightwing Catholic stronghold, with an autonomous movement of its own.

The central organization of the plot, the authorities believe, was at Lamballe, 25 miles southwest of St. Malo and seven miles from the coast. Comte de Vulpain, a Brittany landowner, whose country house at Lamballe was said to be the plotters' headquarters, was one of the three leading personalities so far arrested.

The others were General Guillaudot, Inspector of Gendarmerie, and M. Louton-Lacour, whose name was linked before the war with the Fascist secret society known as the "Cagoulards" (Hooded Men).

General Guillaudot, aged 54, described as an early collaborator of Marshal Petain and later involved in a German concentration camp, was later made a "Companion of the Liberation," one of the highest decorations awarded to French patriots.

Pushbutton Warfare Debunked

Washington, June 30. Two Admirals gave pushbutton warfare a debunking today.

Admiral John Towers, naval air expert and former Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Pacific Fleet, and Rear Admiral Ralph O'Fall, atomic expert, said such warfare was a long way off. They testified before the House Committee on Naval Affairs, which is considering legislation for unification of the armed forces.

Admiral Towers and Admiral O'Fall opposed the provision to establish an independent air force. Admiral Towers told the Committee it would be "utterly impossible" to put the United States out of action in a matter of a few hours or few days by mass atomic attack.

"We haven't the control of guided missiles you have been led to believe," he said.

Admiral O'Fall said pushbutton warfare was at least five to twenty years off. He said in the event of war high-speed jet planes, rather than heavy bombers, would carry atomic bombs. United Press.

Australian Dispute With U.S.

Tokyo, June 30. The Australian Minister of External Affairs, Dr. Herbert Evatt, will walk into a "touchy situation" if he comes to Japan in July as reported, but it is currently rumoured here that the trip may be cancelled in view of the controversy over the Japanese Antarctic whaling expedition.

American officials said his reception would be "warm" if he came, but the general attitude of American officials was that the Australian protests on whaling were "rather unfair."

The Americans believe that the charge that the move to permit a second Japanese whaling expedition was made without consultation was entirely without basis. Also, they object to total blame being placed on General MacArthur since the decision was reached in Washington.

The Americans here think the real reason for the Australian protests are not yet out in the open.

They believe Australia wants the Japanese whaling fleet as reparation and see difficulty in realizing this as long as the United States permits the use of the fleet by the Japanese. United Press.

Mountbatten To Stay?

London, July 1. India's "last Viceroy," Viscount Mountbatten, it is believed in Labour Party circles, will remain in India for some time as Governor-General of both Hindustan and Pakistan after they become Dominions.

The Governor-General of a British Dominion is, in effect, a "stand in" for the King. Unless the two Indian states now being formed break away from the Commonwealth, King George VI will remain the King of both.

Mountbatten's prestige has shot skyward since he persuaded India's Congress Party and Muslim League to accept partition and, for the time being at least, membership in the Commonwealth.

In addition, he is understood to be sympathetic with the Labour government's home front programme. Associated Press.

INDUCEMENT TO ENLISTMENT

Washington, June 30. President Truman today signed a bill to stimulate Army enlistments and re-enlistments.

The measure, effective tomorrow, lowers the minimum age for volunteers from 18 to 17, but written consent from parents must be given for 17-year-olds.

The original listees can choose Army hitch of two, three, four, five or six years. Re-enlistments are permitted for three, four, five or six years. United Press.



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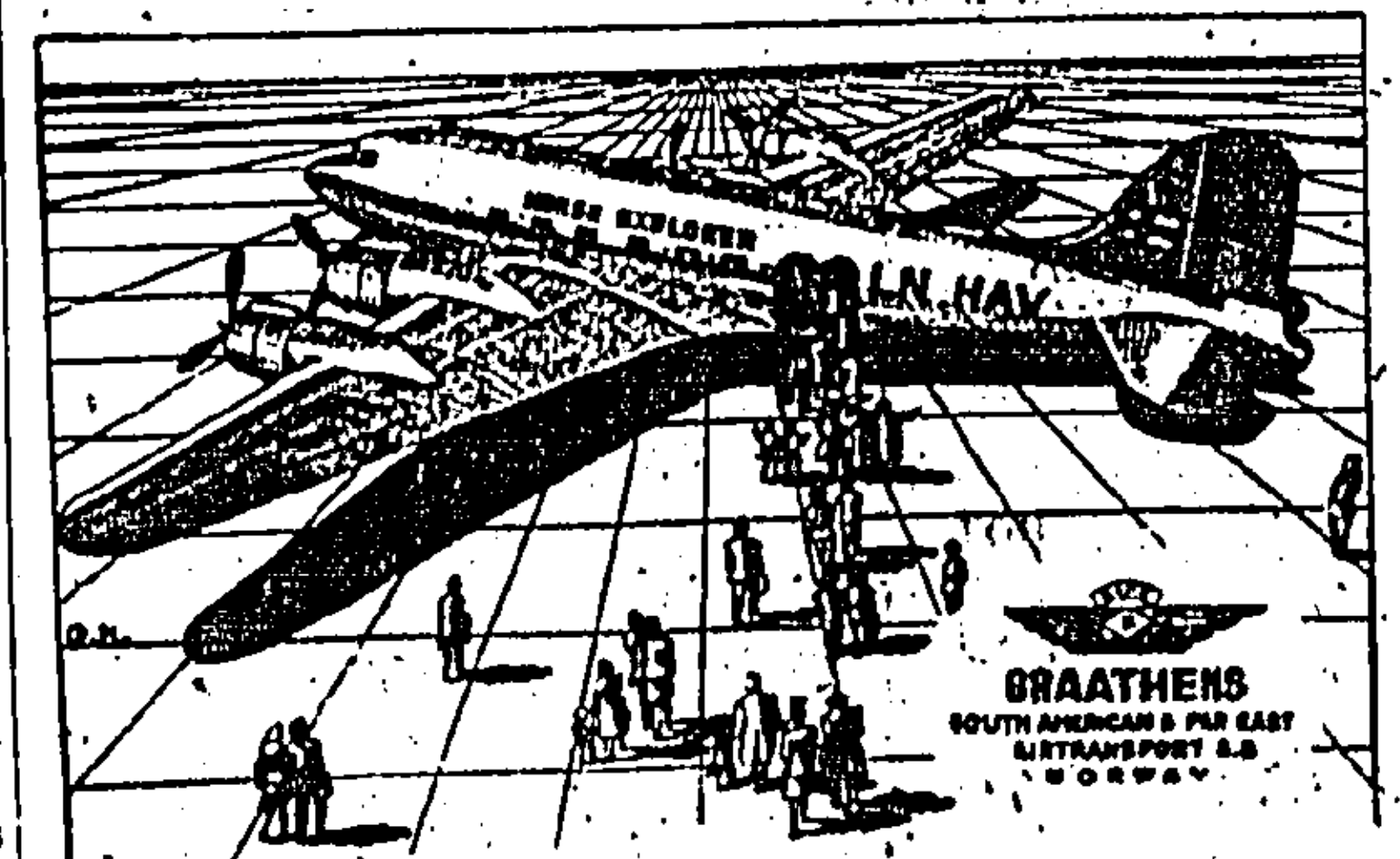
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An American Triumph Final Stages Of Wimbledon

Wimbledon, June 30.
Three United States players and one Australian will contest the semi-finals of the Wimbledon championships on Wednesday, with Jack Kramer, the lanky American facing the English-born Australian Dinny Pails in one half and the two Americans, Tom Brown and Budge Patty, meeting in the other.

It was America's day today in the quarter-finals. If pride of place is given to Kramer, who brushed aside last year's finalist, the two-handed Geoffrey Brown, of Australia, with a 6-0, 6-1, 6-3 victory in a manner which amazed even his greatest supporters, high praise is also due to the way that the unseeded American, Budge Patty, hero of Saturday's match with John Bromwich, confirmed that this unexpected win was no fluke by eliminating Jaroslav Drobny, the hope of Europe, by 3-6, 6-4, 7-9, 6-2, 6-3.

Tom Brown, another Wimbledon player, had his revenge over Yvon Petra, of France, last year's Wimbledon champion, who in winning last year's title beat Brown in the semi-finals after a five-set battle. Today, the giant Frenchman was but a shadow of his last year's self and Brown won in a straight victory of 7-5, 6-2, 6-1.

In the other quarter final, Pails only just succeeded in preventing an All-American semi-final, by beating Bud Falkenberg 4-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

In the women's singles events, United States players again dominated the situation for the "Big Four," Louise Brough, Doris Hart, Margaret Osborne and Patricia Todd, all reached the last eight today without dropping a set.

Two English women, Jean Nicoll Hockley and Kay Stammers, also got through and are joined in the quarter-finals by Sheila Summers and the Australian, Nancy Wynne Bolton.

Ten In A Row
Kramer gave one of the most impressive displays ever seen at Wimbledon in beating two-handed Geoff Brown in half an hour. In no way troubled by the unorthodox Australian, he flashed over winners at will, taking the first ten games in a row.

The defeat of the champion, Petra, was not unexpected. He has had a bad leg this year and was almost an absentee. While he was the first to disclaim in his sportsmanlike manner that his leg had nothing to do with his defeat, it seemed to those watching him that it was giving him trouble.

Petra was not striding across the court like the Colossus that he is and he let shots go which last year would have come back like cannonballs. Drobny, spotting that the Frenchman's back hand was not functioning well, scored many winners with perfectly timed drives to his left wing.

Budge Patty, with his tall up after Saturday's fine win, faced the left-handed Czech Drobny with great confidence. Drobny, while not serving up to his best form, seemed to have the match in safe keeping when taking the third set after the American had four times been within a point of winning it.

At this point, Patty tired, but he it was who took the offensive and raced away to an easy set win to level the match. Drobny was very tired and began to over-hit, allowing Patty to win the final set for the match.

Great Duel
Pails and Falkenberg, the two players who had not lost a set in the championships hitherto, had a great duel on court No. 1. The Australian started well, getting a 4-2 lead, but the American, playing in his first Wimbledon, refused to be rattled and not only took the first set, but won five games successively, finally taking the second set also.

Falkenberg's long reach seemed to be troubling Pails, who was 2-3 behind in the third set. Spectators thought that another surprise was coming, but then Pails hit his brilliant best form and took 13 games in a row, turning the two sets' deficit into two sets all and a 3-0 lead in the deciding.

With Falkenberg suffering from cramp he became an easy victim for the Australian, who alone keeps the Empire flag flying.

The American girls did not win too easily today. Madame Ruzic, of Rumania, only went down 6-4, 8-6 to Doris Hart after holding a 4-3 lead in the second set, while

Yorkshire Lose Again

BETTING BOARD CHAIRMAN
London, July 1.
The "Betting Board Chairman" has appointed General Sir Miles Dempsey, to the chairmanship of the Betting Board on Monday, July 1, in place of Sir Reginald Bligh, who is resigning.—Associated Press.

Soccer Tours In U.S.

New York, June 30.
Roy Stranger, wartime Mayor of Southampton and director of the Southampton soccer team, addressed the annual meeting of the U.S. Soccer Football Association here today and said the Southampton team was anxious to tour America, not to make money, but purely to help soccer in the United States.

Mr. Stranger proposed that, in addition to a series of games, mid-week clinics should be held in which the Southampton players would teach the fundamentals of soccer to young Americans.

He suggested that since the Scottish Football Association had been invited to send a team to tour the United States in spring next year, a game between the Southampton and Scottish teams should be arranged.

The USSFA sent an invitation to the Scottish Association this weekend and also voted to invite the Swedish Football Association to send a representative team here next spring, but no definite date has been set.—United Press.

Geneva, June 30.
The return of Mr. William L. Clayton, United States Under-Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, to Geneva revived hopes today that the deadlock in American-Australian tariff negotiations might be resolved. The deadlock has stymied United States negotiations with the entire British Commonwealth group.—United Press.

Miss Doris Hart of the United States beat Britain's Jean Nicoll Hockley 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 to enter the semi-finals.

Louise Brough (United States) defeated Australia's Mrs. Nancy Wynne Bolton 6-2, 6-3.

In the men's doubles, Bob Falkenberg and Jack Kramer of the United States defeated Derek Barton and Geoff Pails of Britain 6-2, 6-4, 6-4.—United Press.

High Scoring At Trent Bridge

Nottingham, June 30.
A second wicket partnership of 157 in two and a quarter hours between Bruce Mitchell (97) and Denis Dyer (62) helped the South Africans to score 365 in reply to Nottinghamshire's first innings total of 324 at Trent Bridge today.

Nottingham were 26 for no wickets in their second innings at the close of play.

Coming together after Alan Melville, the South African captain, had been dismissed at three, Mitchell and Dyer completely mastered all bowlers on the "batman's paradise" wicket.

Mitchell, dropped when at two, gave what for him was an unusually enterprising display, featuring stylish cutting and driving. He hit ten fours and was robbed of his century by trying to steal a quick single.

Dyer, playing for a place in the Test team, was palmatingly slow. His first 50—his highest score of the tour—occupied two and a quarter hours. His complete innings lasted two hours and 50 minutes and included only four boundaries.

Although a laborious effort, it was free from error.

The South Africans were 228 for three, but then lost four wickets in the space of 17 runs. Jepson, medium bowler, taking two of them in three balls.

Breezy
Fullerton batted stylishly for 57 in 90 minutes, and a breezy partnership of 51 in 25 minutes for the last wicket carried the total to 365, giving the South Africans a 41 lead in the first innings.

The scores at the end of the second day's play were:—Nottingham 324 and 26 for no wickets. South Africans 365 (Mitchell 97, Dyer 62, Begbie

KOWLOON RADIO THEFTS Europeans Victimised By Airman Deserter

Campaign To Be Stepped Up

Nanking, June 30.
The Standing Committee of the Kuomintang Central Executive and Central Political Council met jointly to discuss government policy and decided to intensify military suppression of the Communists.

It also resolved, firstly, to concentrate the strength of the Kuomintang and its junior ally, the San Min Chu-i youth corps, and secondly, to hold general elections as provided by the constitution adopted at the Party Assembly last August.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who presided, detailed lengthy instructions for coping with the present military, economic and political situation. A new black-out was imposed on Chiang's speech, however, and all members attending declined to comment.

General Cheng Chen, Chief of Staff, gave a brief military report and reiterated his confidence in ultimate government victory. He added that the Nationalist forces were maintaining "undisputed superiority" over the Communists in positional warfare.—United Press.

BOAST OF BLACK MAQUIS

(Continued from Page 1)

The Socialist newspaper "Le Peuple" reported that Air Corps Captain Andre Prat, said to be the liaison man between the Black Maquis and the Air Force, was arrested last night.

It added that "several" arrests were made in the French occupied zones of Germany and Austria.

At the same time the first sensationalising of the plot had died slightly and more conservative French opinion is eyeing the matter with some skepticism.

The newspaper "Le Pays" commented: "It is not the first time that a plot has been revealed by a Government which feels its position menaced on another plane." This broad reference was to the fact that France is tied in economic knots and there is wide belief that Premier Paul Ramadier's Cabinet may fall.

The Communist organ, "Humanite," sought to involve its arch political enemy, General Charles de Gaulle's group the Union of French People (RPF). However, Minister of Interior Edouard Depierre directly denied yesterday that the RPF was involved in the fantastic "Blue Plan" for an armed march on Paris scheduled for July 6 by the conspirators.—United Press.

De Gaulle's Aide

Paris, July 1.
Colonel Gilbert Renaud, who during the war was attached to the headquarters of General Charles de Gaulle, was arrested at Vannes, Brittany, today in connection with the "Black Maquis" plot.

Colonel Renaud, who was known under the pseudonym of "Remy" during the Resistance, was the first of de Gaulle's former aides to be held in the probe of the fantastic plot which was to have culminated with an armed march on Paris on July 6.

He is author of the widely published book entitled "Memoirs of a Secret Agent in Free France." No specific charges have yet been placed against Colonel Renaud.

Vannes was to have been the scene of the first overt attack under the "Blue Plan" for the overthrow of the Republic. Co-conspirators were to lay siege to the prison of Vannes in an effort to liberate Lucien Crepe, former Breton Maquis leader held there for murder.

It was learned in Vannes today that the police there had been alerted a week ago and special day and night guards had been on duty at the prison ever since.—United Press.

Man With A Lot Of Nerve

The story of how the alertness of a Chinese constable, Chau Yuk, attached to the Tsim-shai Police (Land Division), resulted in solving a series of radio thefts in Kowloon was related by DSI W. J. Wall to Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday when Li Ying-kam, 29, appeared on a charge of the larceny of three radio sets.

Defendant, described as a deserter from the Chinese National Air Force, was convicted of stealing a radio from 4C Hart Avenue at 5.30 p.m. on June 18; from 13 Observatory Road, first floor, at 12 noon on June 14; and from 164 Argyle Street, top floor, at 2.30 p.m. on June 8. He was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

DSI Wall said that as the result of reports of losses of radios, all Stations were notified to keep a close look-out in hotels, dance halls, restaurants, and radio-dealers' shops, for anyone who might be offering a set for sale.

The reports described the thief as a Chinese speaking the Shanghai dialect and a little English, dressed in the full uniform of an officer of the Chinese National Air Force.

The Technique

The technique employed in all cases, said DSI Wall, was for the man to ask for either the master or mistress of the flat and, when told he or she was out, to ask for a piece of paper to write a note. (These notes, in each case, consisted of only a few undecipherable words which were quite meaningless.)

While writing the note, continued DSI Wall, the man would ask the servant for a glass of water. During the servant's absence the radio was put into a canvas bag and, after handing the servant the note on his return, carried away by the caller.

In Mrs. Metzger's case, went on DSI Wall, the servant was more obliging in that she went out to look for her mistress, leaving the man alone in the house. On her return she saw the caller at the front door about to leave.

Shadowed By Constable

At about 8 p.m. on June 27, PCC Chau Yuk was near the Star Ferry in Kowloon when he saw a Chinese Air Force Officer entering the ferry wharf. Noticing a pair of earphones in the man's hip-pocket, Chau Yuk trailed the man to Hong Kong where they both boarded an east-bound tram at the Post Office.

The accused got down from the tram at Arsenal Street, walked along Queen's Road East, and boarded another tram at Johnston Road. Still shadowed by the constable, he got off near the Oriental Theatre and walked along Wanchai Road.

PCC Chau Yuk, who was in plain clothes, called upon PCC 1466 to stop defendant. When questioned by the constables, accused began to bluster and challenged the Police officers' right to submit an Air Force officer to the indignity of a search.

Money In Drawer

When he returned from an adjoining room, his nurse lifted up a piece of blotting paper and found \$3 under it. He immediately sent another coolie after Wong but the coolie returned later with the money and the information that Wong had left without taking his medicine. He put the money into his drawer.

As to the other money found in his drawer, Dr. Lim declared that was the amount paid to him by a woman patient, Leung Sam, for some injections he purchased for her.

No medicines or drugs for injections, with the exception of Vitamin B solutions and vaccines, were supplied by Government and he used to advise his patients to purchase the necessary injections themselves. Some of them would ask him to obtain the medicines for them and he would invariably do so, charging them at cost.

He had also a stock of Shanghai and foreign-made drugs in his drawer, said Dr. Lim, as a stand-by for emergencies. These would be given to patients at cost price. In reply to Mr. Shaftin, witness said that he was not delighted with his present appointment.

Japanese To Post Samples

Tokyo, July 1.
Postal regulations will be relaxed in August to permit Japanese exporters to send samples abroad.

It is understood the subject is being studied by the highest SCAP officials and it is believed the regulations are almost certain to be approved.

SCAP economic officials pointed out that failure to relax the regulations on exporters could transmit samples abroad would give unfair advantage to the initial group of foreign businessmen to be admitted to the country in the near future under the plans for resumption of limited foreign commerce.—United Press.

Admitting to the possession of eight tons of raw opium at the K.C.R. Station at 12.30 p.m. on June 30, Fu Yul was fined \$600 (or four months imprisonment) by Mr. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday. The opium was discovered concealed in a basket of dried vegetables.

Doctor Charged With Obtaining Bribe

The allegation that medicines and drugs for injections were not supplied by Government to Public Dispensaries was made by Dr. Lim Ek Quee in his evidence-in-chief before Mr. W. H. Latimer yesterday.

Dr. Lim (defended by Mr. Marcus da Silva) is charged with obtaining a bribe of \$3 from Wong Yau-shing on May 22, and with conspiring with Ho Chiu, coolie of the Shamshuipo Public Dispensary, to demand money from patients and prospective patients in order to obtain preferential treatment by eliminating the inconvenience of taking their turn in the queue for medical treatment.

Mr. F.F.W. Shaftin, SSP, prosecutor, assisted by DSI W.M. Morrison.

A graduate of the Hong Kong University (1931 Class), Dr. Lim escaped into Free China in August 1942, and was commissioned a Captain in the RANC in 1943. On returning to Hong Kong in April 1946 he was appointed M/O Mental Home and, later M/O Public Mortuary. He resigned on August 1946 but was persuaded by Dr. Selwyn Clarke to remain for another six months or a year, he said.

On joining the Shamshuipo Public Dispensary he found that the system of work there was for patients to register between 8 and 9 a.m., when they would be given numbered cards. When the doctor arrived at 9 a.m. the patients were given pieces of paper before interviewing him. Patients arriving after 9 a.m. were not given cards but were registered by Ho Chiu.

Referring to Wong, Dr. Lim said that when seen by him, Wong complained of various pains, ending up with the statement that he had had malaria three months before. When he refused to grant sick leave certificate, and referred Wong to the Kowloon Hospital, Wong refused to leave at first.

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Rice Riot In Chengtu

Shanghai, July 1.
Rice riots occurred on Saturday at Chengtu, capital of Szechwan Province, as a result of "a man-made famine," the pro-Kuomintang "Sin Wen Pao" reported today.

The paper said rioters looted several shops and foodstuffs "but the authorities apart from dispersing the ravenous mobs did not resort to any strong repressive measures."

"It did not elaborate on the term 'man-made famine' but presumably this was a reference to hoarders and profiteers. No casualties were mentioned.—Associated Press.

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